



# Newsletter of Ozark Woodturners

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Club established 1995  
<http://www.ozarkwoodturners.com>



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## Next Meeting

**May 21, 2016**  
**1:00 pm**  
**Lakeview Civic Center**  
**(14 Skyles Lane)**

- Tool Sale (starting at 11:30 am)
- Club Business
- Show & Tell
- Demonstration
- Raffle
- OWT Library
- Refreshments

**The demonstration will be on upgrading your wood turning equipment by Sherman Anderson.**



Member Pete Drew with a Certificate of Appreciation from the VA in Little Rock for our club's support of their Pen Lathe Program.

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## Reminders

### Name Tag Reminder

Please wear a name tag when attending any Ozark Woodturners club function. If you aren't wearing a name tag, you will be asked to stand and introduce yourself.

### Spouses and Visitors

Spouses and visitors are always welcome at our meetings.

### For Sale Table & Raffle

Bring woodworking tools or accessories that you want to sell. Please make the deal before the meeting, during the break, or after the meeting. Also, bring any extra wood, tools, sandpaper, or anything that you may have for the raffle. Visitors are welcome to participate. The raffle tickets are \$1.00 each and the proceeds go to the club treasury. Every ticket is drawn and the choice is made in the order the tickets are drawn.

## President's Corner ...



*Greetings Turners,*

*The picnic was a great success. I think everyone had a great time. The food was really good and the cost was below the budgeted amount with quite a few supplies left over for future activities.*

*Update on Member Dick Rickon's condition. His wife told me that he broke two vertebrae in his neck. After some difficulty with medical treatment, he was transported to Springfield, MO. At the time I spoke with her several weeks ago, he was home and doing well. The up-and-down motion of his head should return to near normal, with some impairment to his side-to-side movement.*

*Jim Pruitt tells me that some people taking care of an estate have donated a large number of turning tools to the club for the benefit of the veteran's program. Jim and I felt that the best way to do this was for him to set*

*prices on the tools and offer them to members with the proceeds to be added to the funds already set aside for the benefit of the project.*

*Ken will be taking the helm for the May meeting. I am participating in the annual Art Odyssey and won't be able to attend the meeting. Most of you will be driving by my place, so I invite you to stop by on the way to the meeting or afterward.*

*I think the preparation for the October Ellsworth demonstration is going well. Darcie says that many people are signing up. Ed has sent the announcement out to other clubs in Arkansas and surrounding states and I have contacted several independent turners that I know of.*

*Four of our turners attended the North Arkansas Woodcarving show and sale on May 7 & 8. Thanks to the wood carvers for inviting us. I don't know how sales were, but it is always fun to meet new and interesting people.*

*Ron*  
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## Club News

### Treasurers's Report:

The club bank balance is \$2,908.46, including \$175.06 earmarked for our VA support activities. 2016 dues can be paid directly to Darcie Didden at the meeting or by sending your check, payable to Ozark Woodturners to:

Ozark Woodturners  
c/o Darcie Didden  
847 CR 142  
Oakland, AR 72661

Please check with Darcie as to how the new dues rates apply to your individual or family membership situation.  
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### Basic Turning Course

The club offers a "Basics of Wood Turning" class to its members. Future class dates are to be determined. If you are interested, please contact Kenneth Higgins at (870) 405-7283 or e-mail him at higgs52@suddenlink.net.  
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# Club News

## Club Member Discounts:

The following vendors offer club discounts to our members. At the time of your order, inform them you are a member of Ozark Woodturners; they will verify it with the roster we've provided and allow your discount. See Darcie Didden for details.

- Hartville Tools
- Klingspor's Woodworking Shop
- Woodworker's Supply

## Club Library:

Please properly sign out items taken from the library table so that we can keep track of them for the benefit of all members. Thank you for your cooperation.

*Kathy Levo, Librarian*

## CAVHS (Veterans wood turning program support) Update:

### Turning Tool Sale

The Ozark Woodturners Veterans Support Fund is in the possession of a considerable number of donated woodturning tools. These tools were made by Sorby, Luna, Ashley Iles, Woodcraft, Buck Bros, Lemco, Craftsman, and AMT. Some were made or modified by Woodturners for special turning applications. We have two sets of scrapers in boxes and many Micro chisels made by Brookstone, Wood Craft, and Shopmate. They are mostly spindle turning tools and scrapers and most are in excellent condition.

We will be offering these tools for sale to our members at the Ozark Woodturners meeting on May 21st. The sale will begin at 11:30 a.m. This is an excellent opportunity to pick up some good tools for good prices. All proceeds will go to the Ozark Woodturners Veterans Support Fund.

- If you have some wood you want to donate for Veteran's pen blanks, bring it to the meeting.
- See Darcie if you want to contribute to our club's Veterans Support Fund.

*Submitted by James Pruitt*

## Classifieds & Services

Items to be included in this section should be related to wood turning, shop or club-related functions and sent to the Secretary 10 days prior to the next meeting.

### For Sale:

- Carbide Circular Saw Blades Sharpened
- Custom Log Sawing
- Band Saw Blades – 5 Sizes & Teeth Type
- Pen blank drill centering bushings, \$10 plus S&H

Contact James Pruitt (870) 481-5315

### Wanted:

A good used 8-inch bench grinder with a Wolverine Sharpening System.

Contact Regina Bryant (870) 613-3999

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# Club Picnic, April 2016

Photos by Ed Boiteau



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Park observer



## Staff Training at the VA



*Club members James Pruitt, Kenneth Higgins, Pete Drew and Darcie Didden led a recent exercise to train VA staff to oversee the popular wood turning program at the Central Arkansas Veterans Health Care System in Little Rock. These club members have been instrumental in making this program a valuable part of this rehabilitation program for our veterans.*



## Club Members Exhibiting at the Wood Carver's Show



*Club members (clockwise from top left) Ron Ufkes, Kenneth Higgins, Frank Nixon, Harry McBride and Mogi Morgan exhibiting their work at the annual Wood Carver's Show at the Baxter County Fairgrounds.*

